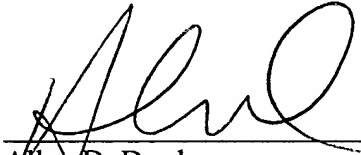


Your applicant has now complied with the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. It is respectfully submitted that claims 1 – 38 are in condition for allowance. Applicant's counsel would welcome a telephone conference if the examiner so desires.

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